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### **Ijamsville Knife Wielding Subject Detained** *FCSO Deputies Deploy Strategies to Save Lives*

**FREDERICK, Md. (Jan. 28, 2021)** – At approximately 1 a.m., this morning, Frederick County Sheriff's Office deputies were dispatched to the 11000 block of Canary Drive in Ijamsville, Maryland, for a report of a subject suffering from a mental health emergency that demonstrated life-threatening actions and was armed with a knife.

Deputies arrived on scene and made contact with the subject outside where he met them with hostility and threats, taunting the deputies with his knife. The subject entered the home and began breaking all of the windows out of the house, flooded the basement, and threw furniture out of the windows. At one point the subject came back out of the house and threatened deputies, brandishing the knife and making threats. Deputies deployed bean bag rounds into the subject but to no avail and the subject went back into the home.

As the event unfolded, the FCSO dispatched a negotiator and activated SWAT to support the ongoing incident. At one point the subject came into the open garage and did not have his knife and no other weapon was visible. Deputies, using a police shield, approached the subject and deployed a Taser and bean bag rounds to successfully detain the individual. The subject suffered minor injuries and Emergency Medical Services transported him to a local hospital for evaluation. There were no other injuries to family members or the deputies who responded. Criminal charges are pending.

"The events that occurred earlier this morning in Ijamsville, while unfortunate, demonstrate that the Frederick County Sheriff's Office deploys all available resources to safely deescalate dangerous situations," said Capt. Jeff Eyler, FCSO Patrol Operations commander. "This is a great example of how our deputies worked together to resolve a potentially deadly situation and is a credit to the Sheriff's commitment to keep all Frederick County residents safe."

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